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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALLEN, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, R. C. SAMUEL, DRAGON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE:—LEON DE ROSNY, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

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BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,.....5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND,.....1,400,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
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CHIEF MANAGER.
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LONDON BANKERS.—London and Country Bank.

HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, August 18, 1879.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)
RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP.....£3,200,000.
RESERVE FUND.....£800,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BERGÈRE, PARIS.

AGENCIES and BRANCHES at:
LONDON, BOULBON, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSEILLES, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHEW.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.
E. G. VOUILLEMONT,
Manager, Shanghai,
Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
At 3 months' notice 3½ per Annum.
" 6 " " 4½ " "
" 12 " " 5½ " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.
GEO. O. SCOTT,
Acting Manager.
Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

BANK.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL,.....£800,000.
RESERVE FUND,.....£150,000.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE CITY BANK.
THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are allowed on FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 3 " 2 per cent. " "

H. H. NELSON,
Manager.
Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Registered in London under the Companies' Act of 1862, on 23rd March, 1866.

Established in Calcutta 29th September, 1863.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....£933,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£466,250.
RESERVE FUND.....£200,000.

HEAD OFFICE—39A, THEADNEEDLE STREET, LONDON, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:
NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND.
NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

All descriptions of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance; and on FIXED DEPOSITS according to arrangement—the maximum rate being 5 per cent. per annum.

R. H. SANDEMAN,
Manager.
Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 9th Dec, at Noon, at his Auction Sales Rooms, Peddar's Wharf,—

2 bales Scarlet BLANKETS.
1 bale Green do.
2 bales Brown Pilot Cloth.
Tweeds, Flannel, Serge, Wool Mitts,
Wool Scarves, Undershirts, Drawers,
Socks, etc.

8 casks Soda Crystals.
5 cases Loaf Sugar.
40 doz. Day and Martin's Shoe Blacking in bottles.

10 cases Sardines in ½ tins.
20 cases do. in ¼ tins.
10 cases Green Peas.
An Invoice of Morton's Oilman's STORES, comprising: Muscatel Raisins, Currants, Jams in 1½ lb. tins, Marmalade in 1½ lb. tins, Chocolate and Milk, Figs, Table Salt, Table Vinegar, Salad Oil, Pickles, Olives, etc.

5 cases English Hams.
15 kegs each 25-lbs. Butter.
10 cases Borden's Milk.
40 drums Hubbard's Pale Boiled Oil.
1 cask do. White Lead.
3 barrels Beef.

100 Ash Oars, assorted sizes.
2 bales Calcutta Cotton Sewing.
White Turkish Towels, Braces, Thread,
Huckaback Towels, Revolvers, Cartridges, Envelopes, Glassware, Candles, Gilt Buttons, etc.

30 cases one star Hennessy's Brandy.
And a Variety of other GOODS.
Terms.—Cash on delivery.

G. R. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, Dec. 6, 1879. de9

LOST.

A SMALL Black and Tan TERRIER, answers to the name of "PUNKO." Small white spot on breast.
\$5 Reward will be given.
Address: No. 12, Praya East.
Hongkong, November 18, 1879.

FOR SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE Just RECEIVED their Usual Assortment of CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS, Comprising:—
GLOVE and HANDKERCHIEF BOXES.
JEWELRY BOXES and SCENT CABINETS.
LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S DRESSING CASES.
LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S DRESSING BAGS.
Handsome Presentation INKSTANDS.
CIGAR and CIGARETTE CASES.
Handsome Painted FLOWER VASES.
NOVELTIES in Electro-plated Ware, suitable for Presents.

Handsomely Bound and Illustrated GIFT BOOKS, Comprising:—
PICTURE GALLERY OF MODERN ART.
SWITZERLAND ILLUSTRATED.
WOODLAND ROMANCE.
THE BIRD, BY JULES MICHELET.
THE INSECT, BY JULES MICHELET.
THE BIRD WORLD.
THE EPIC OF HADES.

A Large Assortment of Newest GIFT BOOKS for Boys and Girls.
CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR CARDS, the Latest Novelties.
Elegantly Dressed FRENCH DOLLS.
DOLLS' PORTMANTEAUX, completely fitted.
SWIMMING and WASHING DOLLS.
MECHANICAL TOYS, in Great Variety.
DOLLS' PERAMBULATORS.
PUZZLES, GAMES, BRICKS.
HORSES and CARTS, WHEEL-BARROWS.
DRUMS, TRUMPETS, GUNS and SWORDS.

THE PRESENT SEASON'S NOVELTIES in COSAQUES, Comprising:—
HELEN'S BABIES' CRACKERS, PICTORIAL.
INCOGNITA, COMICAL and CLUB CRACKERS.
BELLES OF THE SEASON, &c., &c., &c.
PAINT BOXES.

CHRISTMAS CAKES and PLUM PUDDINGS.
FRENCH PLUMS. BLOOM MUSCATELS.
CRYSTALLIZED CHOCOLATE BONBONS.
CHOCOLATE in Pretty Boxes, for Presents.
FRENCH BONBONS. DRAGEES.
FRUITS in Noyau. JUJUBES.
SMYRNA FIGS. BRAZIL NUTS.
BARCELONA ALMONDS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, December 2, 1879. ja2

FOR SALE.

NOW READY.

PRICE, \$1.50.
"COMPARATIVE CHINESE FAMILY LAW,"
By E. H. PARKER.

Can be obtained from KELLY & WALSH at Shanghai and Hongkong, at LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong, and at the China Mail Office.
Hongkong, December 6, 1879.

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, in Quarts and Pints.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, May 26, 1879.

FOR SALE.

THEOPHILE ROEDERER & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, awarded the GOLD MEDAL at the PARIS EXHIBITION.
DRY VERZENAY MOUSSEUX:
Quarts.....\$17 per Case of 1 doz.
Pints.....\$18 " of 2 doz.
MEYER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, August 21, 1879. 21fe80

Intimations.

YEUNG CHUN CHONG—I was a Steward on board the Princess Charlotte nearly 15 Years. The Dr. (BENNETT) had shown me to make MILK PUNCH WINE, and I have followed: doing the same and used Superior Materials or Stuff which is made by Dr. Bennett, which may be drunk at any time without pernicious effect. Now I wish to be established on shore.—No. 62, WELLINGTON STREET.
QUAN CHEONG.
Hongkong, December 2, 1879. ja2

LOST.

A PARCEL of MANILA LOTTERY TICKETS ex Emeralds from MANILA, November 11th, containing the following Numbers, for the December drawing:—
28 Tickets,.....No. 1,940 @ 1,962
23 " " 2,623 " 2,645
23 " " 3,768 " 3,790
23 " " 4,397 " 4,410
23 " " 5,848 " 5,870
24 " " 6,196 " 6,218
24 " " 7,790 " 7,813
24 " " 8,479 " 8,502
24 " " 9,981 " 10,004
24 " " 10,471 " 10,494
24 " " 11,496 " 11,519

The Manila Government have been notified of the Loss, and any Prizes which may be drawn on the above Tickets will not be paid.
The Finder will be suitably Rewarded, if necessary, by Returning the package to the Undersigned.
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1879.

SHIPPING.

Steamers.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Steamship "ELECTRA,"
Captain BORRIS, will shortly load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1879.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUFZ CANAL.
The Company's Steamship "PATROCLUS,"
Capt. M. R. WHITE, will be despatched on or about the 15th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, December 1, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Steamship "SCINDIA,"
Captain WINDHAM, shortly due, will have quick despatch for the above Port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1879.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Steamship "GLENFALLOCH,"
Captain TAYLOR, will be despatched on or about the 6th Proximo.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, November 27, 1879.

CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship "GORDON CASTLE,"
WARRING, Commander, expected here on or about the 10th Inst., will have immediate despatch for the above Port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 2, 1879.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.
The Company's Steamship "TIBRE,"
Commandant REYNIER, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
Hongkong, December 5, 1879.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.
The Company's Steamship "ANADYE,"
Comm. DE BOISSEVILLE BARON, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
Hongkong, December 5, 1879.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 British Bark "GARTMORN,"
ELLWOOD, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, December 1, 1879.

FOR LONDON.
The A 1 British Bark "CHINAMAN,"
MACKENZIE, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, December 1, 1879.

FOR LONDON.
The A 1 British Ship "PALMA,"
SINGE, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, December 1, 1879.

FOR HAMBURG.
The A 1 German Bark "OLAR BABUYAN,"
POLSON, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, November 3, 1879.

FOR LONDON.
The A 1 British Bark "ELIZABETH CHILDS,"
LIMBERGH, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, December 4, 1879.

FOR HAMBURG.
The A 1 German Bark "AUGUST,"
RUS, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, December 1, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 German Bark "IP IGENIA,"
GREEN, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 German Bark "OBERON,"
SCHMIDT, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 British Ship "ENDYMION,"
RICHARDS, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 American Schooner "R. M. HAYWARD,"
DOANE, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1879.

FOR LONDON.
The A 1 Danish Bark "FLENSBURG,"
JACOBSEN, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, November 10, 1879.

FOR LONDON.
The A 1 British Bark "QUEEN OF INDIA,"
CARY, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, November 6, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 American Ship "EMERALD ISLE,"
STAPLES, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will be despatched on or about 1st December.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, November 3, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 American Ship "CITY OF BOSTON,"
CROSS, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will be despatched on or about 20th December.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, November 3, 1879.

FOR HAMBURG.
The A 1 German Brig "ALLIA,"
CAPTAIN BIER, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, November 3, 1879.

FOR HAMBURG.
The A 1 German Bark "MAGELLAN,"
STERNBERG, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, November 3, 1879.

FOR LONDON.
The A 1 British Bark "OLAR BABUYAN,"
POLSON, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, November 3, 1879.

FOR LONDON.
The A 1 British Bark "ELIZABETH CHILDS,"
LIMBERGH, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, December 4, 1879.

FOR HAMBURG.
The A 1 German Bark "AUGUST,"
RUS, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, December 1, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 German Bark "IP IGENIA,"
GREEN, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1879.

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For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, November 10, 1879.

FOR LONDON.
The A 1 British Bark "QUEEN OF INDIA,"
CARY, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, November 6, 1879.

For Sale.

MacEwen, FRICKEL & Co.,

BEG to announce the ARRIVAL of the following FIRST-CLASS
S T O R E S, & Co.
Ex "OCEANIC,"
"LORD OF THE ISLES,"
And Other Late Arrivals.

Finest California BUTTER in Rolls.
Good Cooking BUTTER in Kegs.
Pine Apple CHEESE.
Limburg CHEESE.
Sap Sage CHEESE.
Prime Gilroy CHEESE.
Fine Eastern HAMS.
Fine Eastern BACON.
Prime Smoked SALMON.
Smoked HERRINGS.
Boston MACKEREL.
SALMON BELLIES.
Family PIG PORK and BEEF in Kegs.
Pickled OX-TONGUES.
Boneless and Good Dry CODFISH.
SAUERKRAUT in Kegs.
Finest CAVIARE and SARDELLS.

Fresh APPLES.
"No Plus Ultra" APPLE RINGS.
HICKORY NUTS.
PECAN NUTS.
BRAZIL NUTS.
PEANUTS.
COMB HONEY in Frames.
Pure Orange BLOSSOM HONEY.
BROOKHAM'S TURKEY & TONGUE.
Do. LUNCH TONGUE.
Do. Compressed HAM.
L. McNEIL & LIBBY'S Compressed HAM.
L. McNEIL & LIBBY'S Corned BEEF.
L. McNEIL & LIBBY'S Compressed TONGUE.
Green TURTLE, 1lb. and 2lb. tins.
Assorted Devilled MEATS.
Baked PORK and BEANS.

CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s GINGER CAKES.
CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s SODA BISCUITS.
CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s OYSTERS CRACKERS.
WATER BISCUITS per Pound.
OATMEAL in Casks.
Fresh CORNMEAL.
Cracked WHEAT.
BUCK WHEAT.
RYE FLOUR.
HOMINY.

Cutting's Assorted JELLIES in Glass Pots.
Cutting's Assorted DESSERT FRUITS.
Do. QUEEN'S OLIVES.
Do. PICKLED LIMES.
Do. STUFFED PEPPERS.
Do. ASPARAGUS.
Do. Asst. Corned VEGETABLES.
Do. Assorted PICKLES.
Do. Assorted SAUCES.

White BEANS.
Split PEAS.
Mess' PORK and BEEF.
Borden's Condensed MILK (very fresh).
Do. Do. Do.
Do. Do. Do.

CROUSE & BLACKWELL'S
HOUSEHOLD STORES.

MULSON'S
Assorted German SAUSAGES.
Do. Do. VEGETABLES.
Long ASPARAGUS (very fine).

PHILIPPE & CANAUD'S
SARDINES. Assorted PATES.

JOHN MOIR & SONS'
Celebrated Family STORES.
Game PIES, Veal and Ham PIES.
Truffled SAUSAGES.
Cambridge SAUSAGES.
Bologna SAUSAGES.
Pork SAUSAGES, SAVOIRS.
SALMON CUTLETS (in Indian Sauce).
HADDUCK ROES, Fried SOLES.
KIPPERED HERRINGS, SLOATERS.
HERRINGS A LA SARDINE.
OATMEAL, &c., &c.

BOOKS!

BOOKS!! BOOKS!!
The Latest and most Popular
NOVELS,
By FIRST-CLASS AUTHORS,
DICTIONARIES,
&c., &c., &c.

"Cable Coll," "Perfection" and "Empress of India"
TOBACCOS.

Specially Selected CIGARS.
Cavite CHEROOTS.
Princess CHEROOTS.
Cavite CIGARS.
Princess CIGARS.
Arcoeros CIGARS.
Vegueros CIGARS.
Choice No. 3 Melsig CHEROOTS.
Choice No. 3 Fortin CIGARS.

REVOLVERS & RIFLES.
Breach loading Central Fire FOWLING PIECES.
Electro-Plated "British Bull Dog" REVOLVERS.
SMITH AND WESSON'S REVOLVERS.
COLL'S DERINGER PISTOLS AND REVOLVERS.
CARTRIDGES, &c., &c.
Hongkong, October 15, 1879.

Notices to Consignees.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Moray having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, December 6, 1879. de18

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Arratoon Apar, Captain A. B. MACVATH, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
Consignees are also hereby informed that any Claims must be made immediately, as none will be entertained after the 13th instant.

D. SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 5, 1879. de14

BRITISH SHIP BELTED WILL, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 1, 1879. de1

BRITISH BARQUE PAMPERO, FROM ANTWERP.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, November 18, 1879. de1

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

HAZEL HOLME, British barque, Capt. J. Wm. Millican.—Vogel & Co.

ONERON, German barque, Captain S. S. Schmidt.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

PALMA, German barque, Capt. Bing.—Melchers & Co.

HONGKONG, German 3-masted schooner, Captain Carl Oom.—Wiesler & Co.

PELHO, German barque, Capt. Seekamp.—Siemssen & Co.

PRIMUS, Russian ship, Captain Th. W. Bergman.—Order.

UNDINE, German barque, Captain F. Kruse.—Melchers & Co.

MOSES B. TOWER, American barkentine, Capt. C. Hall.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ATHOLL, British steamer, Capt. Thomson.—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.

ALICE REED, American barque, Capt. J. H. Kilbean.—Melchers & Co.

AMY TURNER, American barque, Captain A. W. Newell.—Russell & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

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THIS EVENING,

MONDAY, Dec. 8th, 1879,
(On account of the Tarantula Ball taking place on TUESDAY, the 9th),
BENEFIT OF SIGNOR SERRAVALLO,
Gounod's Grand Opera
"Faust."

As the Company take their departure for Shanghai by the Messageries Maritimes S. S. Anadyr (probably on Friday), Signor CAGLI has to announce that "Il Barbiere" will be given on WEDNESDAY, and "La Traviata" on THURSDAY.

WEDNESDAY, 10th December,

BENEFIT OF SIGNOR BERGAMASCHI,
Rossini's Favorite Opera.
"Il Barbiere di Siviglia."

THURSDAY, 11th December,

BENEFIT OF SIGNOR CAGLI,
Verdi's Popular Opera
"La Traviata."

Tickets can be obtained at Messrs KELLY and WALKER'S.
Hongkong, December 8, 1879. de12

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
"CHINKIANG,"
Captain S. M. OBE, will be de-
parted for the above Port TO-
MORROW, the 9th inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, December 8, 1879. de9

To-day's Advertisements.

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The Chartered Steamer
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T. ROWIN, Commander, will
be despatched as above on
or about the 24th instant, instead of as
previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, December 8, 1879. de24

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. ROGERS has returned and is now
ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS.—
No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD.
Hongkong, December 8, 1879.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "NIGATA MARU" FROM
Kobe and YOKOHAMA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
Vessel are hereby requested to send in
their Bills of Lading for countersignature,
and take immediate delivery of their Goods
from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or re-
maining on board after TUESDAY, the
9th instant, will be landed and stored at
Consignees' expense and risk.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
MITSU BISHI MAIL S. S. Co.,
6, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, December 8, 1879. de15

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDI-
TERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-
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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
"THIBET," Captain P. H. TORRICK, will
leave this on WEDNESDAY, the 17th
instant, at 11 p.m.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. MÖLVER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, December 8, 1879. de18

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 7, Douglas, British steamer, 864.
M. Young, Foochow Dec. 4, Amoy 5, and
Swatow 6, General.—DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.

Dec. 7, Hae-shin, Chinese steamer, 764.
Gibson, Haiphong Dec. 4, and Hoihow 6,
General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Dec. 7, Chinkiang, British steamer, from
Canton.

Dec. 7, Fuyew, Chinese steamer, from
Canton.

Dec. 7, Auguste Reimers, German sch.,
from Whampoa.

Dec. 7, Jessie McDonald, British barken-
tine, from Whampoa.

Dec. 8, Nigata Maru, Japanese steamer,
1096, W. Walker, Yokohama Nov. 29, and
Kobe, General.—MITSU BISHI M. S. S. Co.

Dec. 8, Ningpo, British steamer, 761.
R. Cass, Shanghai Dec. 5, General.—
SIEMSEN & Co.

Dec. 8, Amy Turner, American barque,
991, A. W. Newell, Honolulu Nov. 4, 300
tons Coal.—RUSSELL & Co.

Dec. 8, Cores, British barque, 454, Mc-
William, Chefoo Nov. 27, General.—CAP-
TAIN.

Dec. 8, Aurorita, Danish barque, 570,
J. Thompson, Hamburg July 16, General.—
WIELER & Co.

Dec. 8, Amazone, French steamer, 2102,
Lormier, Shanghai Dec. 6, Mail and Gen-
eral.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 6, Diamante, for Manila.

7, An-lan, Chinese g.b., for Hoihow.

7, Glenfaloch, for London, &c.

7, Namoa, for Coast Ports.

7, Hainan, for Hoihow.

8, Dale, for Saigon.

8, H. Prinsenberg, for Manila.

8, Cheang Hock Kian, for Swatow.

8, Ningpo, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Fuyew, for Shanghai.

Yotung, for Swatow.

Pattardale for Singapore.

Kiki, for Saigon.

Rapid, for Bangkok.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Douglas, from Coast Ports, Mr and
Mrs Baldwin and family, Mr and Mrs
Ortuna and family, Mr and Miss Richard-
son, Messrs Northey, Bird, Pitman, Vin-
son, Scott, Miss Trank, 95 Chinese deck,
and 1 European.

Per Hae-shin, from Haiphong, &c., 6
Cabin and 85 Chinese.

Per Nigata Maru, from Yokohama, &c.,
Mr Rogers, 3 Europeans, 4 Chinese, and
2 Japanese.

Per Ningpo, from Shanghai, Messrs
Rogers, Wells, and McGeorge, 1 European
deck, and 90 Chinese.

Per Amazone, from Shanghai, for Hong-
kong, Mr and Mrs Hildand, Messrs Brodley,
Wilson, Arnold, Bhable, Rev. Bonand,

and 11 Chinese; for Saigon, Mr Abel; for
Singapore, Mr Dent; for Calcutta, Mr Lal-
caca; for Maracilles, Via de Petitville,
Mr and Mrs Forrest (Consul), Messrs
Daniels, Handon, Hoody, Evans, Bumble
Combe, Butter, de Boels, Diob, Marshall,
and Barbes.

DEPARTED.

Per China, for Yokohama, Mr Gower
Robinson, and 4 Chinese.

Per Peshawar, for Shanghai: from Hong-
kong, Mrs. Pollock, Messrs Pearson, Le-
mon, A. K. Luson, R.N., Sekufick, S.
Isobe, A. Robinson, and 45 Chinese; from
Southampton, Mr R. Markes, Rev. Mr
and Mrs Ost, Mrs Robinson, child and 2
daughters, Miss Herriott, Mrs Pickwood
and 6 daughters, and Miss Paterson; from
Venice, Misses Lu Zani, Boranioni, and
Gaudini.

Per Namoa, for Swatow, Mrs Meyer, and
Rev. Serdet.

Per Hainan, for Hoihow, &c., 41 Chi-
nese.

Per Diamante, for Manila, 261 Chinese.

Per Cheang Hock Kian, for Swatow, 10
Chinese; for Amoy, 60 Chinese.

Per Dale, for Saigon, 67 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Douglas reports:
Left Foochow on Thursday the 4th Dec.,
Amoy 5th, and Swatow 6th. From Foo-
chow to Amoy had moderate N.E. and
N.N.E. winds, with fine clear weather.
From Amoy to Swatow light variable airs
and clear weather. Thence to port fresh
N.N.W. and northerly winds with very
hazy weather. In Foochow: S. S. Glen-
faloch, and H.M.S. Lapwing. In Amoy:
H.M.S. Iron Duke and Mosquito, and R. C.
Ling Feng. In Swatow: S. S. America,
Egeria, Crusader, Yungching and Swatow,
and R. C. Fei hoo.

The Chinese steamer Hae-shin reports:
Strong N.E. monsoon and hazy weather.

The Japanese steamer Nigata Maru re-
ports: Fine weather throughout.

The British steamer Ningpo reports:
Light S.W. winds during the first, and
moderate N.W. winds during the latter
part of the passage, with fine clear weather
throughout.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SHANGHAI.—
Per Fuyew, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow,
the 9th inst.

Per Chinkiang, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow,
the 9th inst.

For MANILA.—
Per barque Friederich, at noon To-mor-
row, the 9th inst.

For SINGAPORE.—
Per Patterdale, at 2.30 p.m. To-morrow,
the 9th inst.

For HOIHOW, PAKHOI, AND HAI-
PHONG.—
Per Conquest, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the
9th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.—
Per Douglas, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the
9th inst.

For HIOGO, YOKOHAMA, AND NAGA-
SACKI.—
Per Nigata Maru, at 5 p.m., on Friday,
the 12th Dec.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet Amazone will
be despatched on SATURDAY,
the 13th December, with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe, via Naples, to Saigon, Straits
Settlements, Batavia, Burnah, Ceylon,
Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bom-
bay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The usual hours will be observed in closing
the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet Thibet
will be despatched on WEDNESDAY,
the 17th instant, with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe via Brindisi or Southampton;
to the Straits Settlements, Batavia,
Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt,
Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the
Australasian Colonies, E. or S. Africa,
nor for Mauritius.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet City of
Peking, will be despatched on WED-
NESDAY, the 24th Dec., with Mails
for Japan, San Francisco, the United
States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c.
which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 P.M.—Registry closes.

2.30 P.M.—Post-Office closes, but Letters
(except for Non-Union Countries) may
be posted on board the Packet with
Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage
until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies
(except the Bahamas and Hayti),
Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay
cannot be sent by this route.

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General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, December 10:—
Daylight.—Douglas leaves for Coast
Ports.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Zealand Lodge.

9 p.m.—Operatic Performance.

SATURDAY, December 13:—

Daylight.—Mitsu Bishi Mail leaves for
Yokohama via Kobe.

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of
Call and Europe.

Noon.—Bowen leaves for Port Darwin,
Cooktown, &c.

WEDNESDAY, December 17:—
11 p.m.—English Mail leaves for Ports
of Call and Europe.

SATURDAY, December 20:—
Transfer Books of the H. K. & C. Gas
Co., Limited, closed from this date to
3rd Proximo, inclusive.

WEDNESDAY, December 24:—
3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

Crusader leaves for Port Darwin, Cook-
town, &c., on or about this date.

WEDNESDAY, January 14:—
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San
Francisco.

MEMOR. FOR TO-MORROW'S
Shipping.

4 p.m.—Chinkiang leaves for Shanghai.

Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Mr G.
R. Lammert, at his Sales Rooms.

2.30 p.m.—Meeting of the Legislative
Council.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

BIRTHS.

At Shanghai, on the 1st December, the
Wife of JAMES MACKENZIE, of a Son.

At Shanghai, on the 29th Nov., Mrs
THOS. R. WHEELLOCK, of a Son.

DEATH.

At Ningpo, on the 27th Nov., EDWARD
REXNER, the beloved son of Rev. James
Bates, C.M.S., aged three years.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 7.55 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DEC. 8, 1879.

It would be superfluous to comment upon
the text of Lord Carnarvon's masterly
State paper, dated Jan. 3rd of last year—
published in our Saturday night's issue—
as the despatch amply explains itself.

Indeed, we do not remember of ever
having seen an official document

glad to learn that it is only a rumour. One girl about five years of age was unable to make her escape and was burned to death, and a man was taken to hospital supposing to have been seriously injured, but it now appears that with the exception of a very slight sprain to his ankle no further damage has been done.

The confusion that occurs on the breaking out of a fire generally gives opportunities for a considerable amount of pilfering, which is invariably taken advantage of by those classes who have confused notions of the rights of *meum* and *tuum*. The fire in East Street on Saturday evening was no exception to this rule, and the result was the apprehension of about a dozen Chinese who were brought before the magistrates this morning, charged with petty thefts of clothing and sundry articles of furniture. On investigating the several cases in this instance however, it appeared that most of the accused had been requested by the owners of the property to assist in removing their household goods, and they were consequently discharged. The arrests were made principally by Sikh policemen who are well known to be thoroughly zealous in the performance of their duty.

Mrs. A. da Silva, the promoter of various Catholic institutions, has lately organized a Society styled "the Society of Holy Infancy," composed of members of both sexes under 14 years, the purpose of which is to accumulate, by different means, a fund to help parents and distressed children. It is a good idea to cause the children to devote a part of their spare time in working for charitable purposes, and we congratulate Mrs. Silva. The day appointed for the inauguration of the Society was yesterday, and accordingly at about half-past two p.m. about a hundred boys and girls assembled at the hall of the Catholic Circle at 8.15, marched in a procession thence to the Cathedral, proceeded through the middle of the Church to near the balustrade of the central altar, where they took their respective seats on some dressed pews prepared for them. Father Burghignott then in a short and popular discourse pointed out to them the aim and object of the society and having taught them their respective duties as members of the society, presented to each of the members a silver medal of "Our Lady of Lourdes," fastened to a white silk ribbon, the symbol of peace. The children then returned to the Circle Hall, where they were served with cakes and wine. To-night there will be a concert at the Catholic Circle Hall, commencing at 9 p.m.

"NORMA" was selected as the opera to be played on the occasion of Signora Genolini's benefit by the Royal Italian Opera Company, and we were glad to see a full house on Saturday night in the Theatre Royal. We need not criticise the performance as a whole, as that course would be merely to recount the numerous shortcomings of the stage effects so frequently alluded to. Signora Genolini (as Norma) was in good voice, and as the plot revealed itself, applause became warmer, and bouquets strewed the stage, the heroine seemed to catch the enthusiasm, and sang and acted in a most praiseworthy style. Her reception, which we think she fully deserved, must have been very encouraging to this painstaking and hard-working artist. As Pollio (the Roman Pro-Consul who first loves and then betrays Norma for the fresh attractions of Adalgisa), Signor Sbriscia appeared to great advantage. In excellent voice, and more natural than hitherto in his movements on the stage, he shared with the prima donna the honours of the evening. Signora Mancini did not look the part of Adalgisa, and as it is really a soprano role, she was altogether at a disadvantage. She, however, conscientiously did her best, and was applauded in the duets and in her interesting passages with Norma. A good word is called for the get-up and demeanour of Orestes, chief of the Druids, (Signor Baggiolo); the other Druids, warriors, &c., were not a success, and the prompting was painful to listen to. The principal characters were, however, honoured with a hearty recall; and so far as they were concerned, the performance was very satisfactory. Signor Sbriscia takes his benefit this evening, when "Faust" will be attempted.

INFANTICIDE was terribly common in the North-West Provinces of India during the year 1878-79. The Inspector General of Police reports that no less than 26 per cent. of the female children born were killed. Among the poorer people a higher value is placed on the boys, and therefore when food is insufficient for all, the girls suffer most, but surely, as the *Englishman* observes, if the police all over the province had been the least bit more energetic than their Inspector-General says they have been, a very large number of innocent lives might have been saved.

THE London correspondent of the *Scotsman* says:—"When an article on the threatened torture and enslavement of the children of the late Yakob Beg, the rebel chief of Kashgar, appeared in the columns of the leading journal some two or three weeks

ago, the Chinese Ambassador, instead of communicating with his Government (by post, which might have involved a fatal delay), lost no time in telegraphing the substance of the article to Peking. By this act the Marquis Tseng showed something more than a formal desire to respect public opinion in this country. It does not appear that our Foreign Office has taken any step in the matter."

ACCOUNTS from the seat of war at Muar, to hand by the *Straits Times*, say that fighting is going on all over the country. Some of the Maharajah's people have moved down to Padang Lebar, also in British territory, and closer to Malacca than Burki Asah. Our Government is certainly improving in non-interference.

MESSRS Stanley and Shorter, the well-known billiard players, played a game of 500 up, the spot stroke barred, at the Town Club, Singapore, on the afternoon of the 26th ult., with the result that after a well-contested game during which some pretty strokes were made, Mr Stanley was the victor by over 80. The *Straits Times* says:—

Both Mr Stanley and Mr Shorter, whose stay here has been of some duration, have, owing to their general courtesy and agreeable manners, made many friends in Singapore, and the result of their teaching of their pupils has been that amateurs who have availed of it now astonish visitors by the excellence of their play. Messrs Stanley and Shorter will leave on Saturday for Rangoon and Calcutta, in which latter place they will remain during the season.

THE public will agree with the Lieutenant Governor of the Punjab that the last annual report of the Commissioner of Dacca might well have included some further particulars of one very curious occurrence to which he alludes as having taken place during the year under review. It seems that certain speculators imported into the Backergunge district, from Chittagong and Noakhilly, some 2,000 women, who, says the report, "have easily gained husbands in the tracts which were devastated by the cyclone of 1876."

As regards the question of obtaining Chinese labourers for the Brazilian plantations, it seems that the preliminary negotiations in London have been so far successfully advanced that the corvette "Vital de Oliveira," under command of Commodore Arthur Silveira da Motta, son of the democratic Senator whose fine picture forms one of the most interesting of the industrial sights of Rio de Janeiro, will soon leave for Mediterranean port. On arrival there the Commodore will leave for London, to settle, in co-operation with Dr. Eduardo Callado, some remaining points with the Chinese legation. After these are arranged both gentlemen will embark in the "Vital de Oliveira" and pursue their voyage, via the Suez canal, to China, to negotiate the necessary treaties for the obtaining of leave to engage Chinese labourers in China to work in Brazil. *Anglo-Brazilian Times*.

THE following notes on the Cabul explosions have been sent to the *Lahore Paper* by a correspondent in Cabul, under date 17th October:—

The military authorities have deemed it expedient to search the Bala Hissar, for some days past all the *kahars* of the division have been cleared out of the old buildings. On the 16th, they were engaged in one of the magazines, when at about 1.30 p.m. the whole camp was startled by a terrific explosion which sent clouds of dust into the air that the Bala Hissar was concealed from view for several minutes. It was at first thought that the Afghans were at work, and that the 67th, the Gatling guns, and the exploring party had been blown to atoms. Doctors and doxies were soon on the spot. When the dust cleared away, it was seen that the explosion had occurred in the old part of the Bala Hissar, that, namely, which lies on a hill immediately above the more modern part, where our troops were located. All were ordered to clear out at once; not a moment too soon, for another explosion, louder, longer, but less destructive than the first, immediately "rent the air." Our correspondent was informed on what he considered good authority that the first explosion had occurred in consequence of the carelessness of a *kahar*, who was actually allowed to smoke his hubble-bubble on that very dangerous spot, while the search was going on.

On board the Ducal line steamer *Duke of Devonshire*, London to Colombo, a new way of killing time at sea was established; a description of the first walking match we have heard of as occurring on board ship may be of interest:—

During the ship's passage from the Red Sea to Colombo, with a view of encouraging exercise amongst the gentlemen passengers, it was determined to hold a six days' walking match, which commenced at 6 o'clock on Monday morning, the 3rd instant. An entrance fee of 2s 6d formed a prize fund, and punctually to the time the men were on the track. The first day's walking closed with Mr. Marshall of Ceylon, having accomplished over 35 miles, with Mr. Wheatley of Calcutta, second, with 26½ miles. These enthusiasts, however, readily felt the effects of deck walking, in the shape of heavy blisters and aches, and had to give way to the better calculation of those who took things more coolly. The course, which was kept clear of all impediments by the kind direction of Capt. Turner, was from the foremast ladder to the stern and back, each return counting one lap. On Saturday, the 8th instant, at 5.30, there were only two gentlemen upon the track, Mr. Goodwin (Ceylon) and Mr. J. Weir (Glasgow). These gentlemen, who were most indomitable in their exertions to outdo one another, learnt that it was the decision of either not to leave the track while one remained; they were therefore advised to withdraw, and gladly availed themselves of the suggestion. At 8 p.m., according to the rules drawn up, Captain Turner proceeded to read out the scores, which were as follows:—

1. Mr. Goodwin ... 149½ miles
2. " J. Weir ... 147½ " "
3. " H. Marshall ... 126½ " "
4. " L. Macgregor ... 69½ " "
5. Mr. Wheatley ... 36½ " "
and nine other competitors for smaller scores. Mr. W. E. B. Jefferson, Calcutta,

officials as referees, and carefully watched the proceedings to a pleasant termination. We learn that such was the interest manifested in the event, that the winner was carried kicking up and down deck, preceded by Mr. Trotman, the great musician of the voyage, playing on the violin. "See the conquering hero come," and at the farewell dinner given by Captain Turner to the passengers on the 11th instant, the first toast after Her Majesty the Queen was "The victor of the walking match." We are pleased to learn that all the competitors are in perfect health and betrayed a great desire to land and exhibit further walking powers at Colombo.

THE TEMPERANCE HALL.

The old premises in Stanley Street have been vacated and larger and more convenient premises in Fletcher's Buildings, Queen's Road, secured, where it is hoped a yet more extended field of usefulness may be found for the operation of this admirable public institution. The Hall has now been nearly four years in existence, during which period it has been nearly self-supporting and has been much appreciated by the class for which it was established; chiefly seafaring men. The new premises are now well furnished and suitable in every respect for its purpose,—to provide a pleasant resort, amusement, a meal or a bed for its changing inmates. The cost of furniture, gas and other necessary fittings, the considerable expense caused by removing &c., have exceeded the amount of donations received from the public originally—about \$1,200—and the Committee of Management ask again for assistance after so long a time and trust that their appeal will be generously responded to. It is estimated that \$1000 would put the Hall well on its feet, and able in the future to make its own way as a permanent and useful institution. Donations may be sent to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation for the credit of the Temperance Hall, or to Messrs Lane Crawford & Co., or to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. W. Davis. We trust that this appeal will not be made in vain. There can be no doubt as to the great and good work the Hall is doing. It provides innocent amusement for a class of men who are besieged by battalions of temptations in their visit to this port, which yielded to bring ruin and disgrace, moral and physical, on them and their families. We have the utmost confidence that the community will not give such an institution as this the cold-shoulder. We may add that an opening Concert will be given in the new premises on the 18th, the programme for which promises well.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL." December 8.
Sir,—It may interest Lord Carnarvon to know that I read on Saturday night his able despatch of 8th January 1878, and that I have been drinking his health, off and on, ever since. W.

SUPREME COURT.

(Before His Lordship the Chief Justice, Sir John Smale and special Jury.)

Monday, Dec. 8th.

THE \$17,000 CASE.
This case has occupied the Court all day and is not finished when we go to press. The examination of the young man was concluded, and then the witness to the notes, the father, and a relative who resides in the family house of the latter. Their evidence was merely a repetition of that given before the Police Court. The evidence being finished the Court adjourned till tomorrow, when the addresses to the Jury will be heard.

Police Intelligence.

(Before the Hon. C. B. Plunket.)
Monday, Dec. 8th.

DRUNK AND INCAPABLE.
Charles Martin, 44, of Chili, a seaman unemployed, was fined \$1 or two days' imprisonment for being drunk and incapable in the public streets on the evening of the 7th instant.
John Ovedon, 26, of Holland, a seaman unemployed, was also charged with being drunk and disorderly yesterday evening, and with damaging two baskets of oranges the property of a hawk; he was sentenced to pay a fine of \$1, and 50 cents amends for the damage to the oranges, or to suffer three days' imprisonment.

BREACH OF THE OPIUM ORDINANCE.
Chan Shing, Kiu, 27, a student, was charged with being in possession of a quantity of prepared opium contrary to the opium ordinance 1858 and 1879.

A. dos Santos, manager for the Opium Farmer, saw defendant land on the Fraya from a passage boat at 8 o'clock this morning. On searching his luggage four boxes of prepared opium were found in his small pillow box.

Defendant said he was a schoolmaster in Hwang Shan and only arrived in the Colony this morning. He had never been here before and did not know he was doing wrong.

Fined \$25, in default one month's imprisonment, the opium to be confiscated.

(Before O. V. Creagh, Esq.)

To Fak Hing, 38, and Wong Chu Ho, 34, supercargoes, appeared on charge of being in possession of a quantity of prepared opium, contrary to the opium ordinance 1858 and 1879.

La Fuk Sing, an ex-convict officer, saw defendants land from one of Messrs Douglas Laprak & Co.'s steamers yesterday morning. They looked like opium smokers, and on examining their pillow boxes three pots were found in first defendant's box and one in that of the second. Both defendants said they had never been in Hongkong before, and were not aware that they were breaking the law. The opium they had was for their own use.

Complainant recalled, said that there is a notice posted up in the Chinese quarters on board the steamer, warning them of the penalties for introducing opium into the Colony. The notice is in Chinese.

China.
FOOCHOW.
(Herald, Nov. 27.)
[The Revd. W. W. Hawkins, for several years past British Chaplain at this port, will preach his farewell sermon at the Morning Service on Sunday next. Mr. Hawkins has during a comparatively short residence in Foochow gained the respect and good-will of many members of the foreign community,—including those who though not in communion with the Anglican Church have nevertheless admired his liberality of thought and action.]

The late extraordinary excitement on the Foochow Tea Market seems to have almost completely subsided, and demand appears to be once more regulated by some regard to the normal conditions of trade. As we remarked a few weeks ago, the season was too far advanced to admit of much mischief being done. But it is only fair to add that the tea men have responded, beyond the most sanguine predictions, to the late sudden and unexpected call on their producing power; and that they have demonstrated their readiness at any future time to bring forward sufficient common sense to meet the most insatiate and reckless inquiry for that delectable addition to the free-born Briton's cheap breakfast table.

We hear that a quantity of opium was seized last week on the river between Pagoda anchorage and the Foreign Settlement, by a foreign employe in the Maritime Customs—lately arrived from one of the coast ports. The officer in question had taken passage in a sampan, at the bow of which he noticed a box apparently containing ordinary luggage of some kind. When about half-way to the Settlement the sampan men suddenly ceased rowing, and a suspicious-looking native boat, pulled by a number of men, was observed to be creeping up. The foreigner inquired as to the object of these proceedings and was told that the boxes belonged to the men in the pursuing boat. He not unnaturally argued that there was something wrong, and, seizing the box, drew a revolver, at the same time ordering the sampan men to make the best of their way to Foochow and to inform the men in the other boat that if they attempted any further interference he would fire upon them. The box was found to contain not ordinary passenger's luggage, but opium!

SHANGHAI.
(N. O. Daily News.)
The United States flagship *Richmond* steamed out of port yesterday (2nd), shortly after noon, bound for Foochow and the Southern ports. Passing the German corvette *Louise* her band played a lively German air, and, nearing H.M.'s *Moderate*, the tune was changed to "God save the Queen," while opposite the U.S. Consulate and the *Monocacy* an American air was played. While the *Richmond* has been in port her officers and crew have fraternised extensively with the community and have made for themselves a good name, while her band has been one of the main attractions at several of our amusements. Her return will be looked forward to with interest.—The U.S. gunboat *Alert* left on the previous day, bound for Yokohama.

We understand that M. E. J. Grelrier, lithographer and photographer of the Minklin Road, has been placed under arrest by an order of the French Consul-General, to await proceedings under his bankruptcy.

(Temperance Union.)
In the N.-O. Daily News, for Friday a.m., was an appeal for clothing for the crew of the *Condor*. The manager of the Temperance Hall says, in response to that appeal, clothing was sent in to a considerable quantity before 9 o'clock a.m., thus showing the sympathy of the community to be quickly aroused, and to a purpose. We are requested to return the thanks of the recipients for the kindness shown them. We believe no one in real need ever appeals to this community in vain.

A friend who has just visited the North and had an interview with the Viceroy, has become possessed of a copy of a document which gives three reasons why the authorities at Peking could not allow a railroad to be constructed from the coal mines to Tientsin. Our readers can judge for themselves of the weight which ought to be given to these reasons:—

1st.—Difficulties in the construction itself supposed to be insurmountable by engineers.
2nd.—Objections on the part of the people who live along the proposed route.
3rd.—(Let it be written in capitals, and impressed upon the barbarian mind.)

THE FENG-SHUI WOULD BE DISTURBED.
The document goes on to say that while perforce difficulties 1 and 2 might be overcome, difficulty No. 3 is insuperable. So there is no railroad.
The gentleman who kindly related the above to us said that while on the way from Peking to Kalgan and noticing the loads borne by beasts of burden, he made an estimate of the comparative facility of cars and camels or mules. He says that it will require 30,000 beasts of burden to do the work of one freight train. As the rule seems to be to allow one man to each animal, we thus have 30,000 men and 30,000 animals doing the same amount of work in transporting cargo, that one train of cars could accomplish. Feng-shui keeps the camels at work and keeps out the cars.

ICANG.

November 12.
Winter to us brings disappointment. Sunday Island is the cause of all our vexations. One would barely credit, when passing that Island during the summer, that the water would decrease till there is a maximum of three to four feet; but it is a fact. The *Kiang-ping* touched on her last downward trip, so she has been taken off the route, and is to be replaced by the *Pao-kong*.

Hopes are entertained that her draught will permit her to run through the winter; vain hopes! Should gloomy anticipations, however, be verified, it may be safely predicted that the trade of Ichang will increase rapidly; for traders are shy of shipping their goods during the summer months, and then to be left to their own resources and the resentment of the boat hongs in winter. Nothing as yet can be said of the trade here; it has not had a fair trial; nor can a judgment be formed from the cargoes of the *Kiang-ping*. The agents of Chinese firms at Hankow dispatched most of the cargo. We are having fine bracing weather. The thermometer fell the other night to 44°, making the beggars look as though they would like their winter jackets of stitched cotton, which are distributed annually by the humane societies. Poor wretches! one could not take many out of their misery! Soberly the last breath is drawn before they are rubbed by their associates of the

little covering they possess, and left stiff and stark before their habitations to excite the pity of passers by to bury them, failing which they are laid in "boxes" (for Chinese only permit the word *Tsuan-Ying* to be used for the respectable black receptacle) sent by the philanthropists of the city, and interred to the depth of the coffin with a little earth thrown over them. What follows is too disgusting to be described; but the consequence of so superficial a burial is obvious to those who have been in China for any length of time. In most of the other ports, we recognize among the mendicants some who have been in the trade for years. Here it is different; one does not see for two consecutive winters the same faces, but, notwithstanding, their almost ephemeral existence, their class is always full, being constantly recruited by the trackers of Szechuen boats, whose few cash are principally spent in the opium dens in which this place abounds; and so strong is their craving for the drug, that often when in the lowest stage of starvation, they will forego the morsel they might buy with their few cash for the opium pipe.

It might be a difficult task to ascertain the number of opium-smoking resorts there are in this port; and but a melancholy recompense to discover that they form a large percentage of the total number of dwellings. No foreign opium is imported; yet every sign of the dens informs the public that the best foreign and Kwangtung opium is kept there. Not in a single instance have I seen it notified that the Szechuen produce is for sale. The reason must be either simply puffing to draw custom, or perhaps the survival of some prohibition when the authorities tried to ignore the growth of the poppy within their jurisdiction.—*Courier* Cor.

PEKING.

Nov. 24.
It will not surprise you to hear that the naval tournament ended in a fizzle.

It was found advisable not to attempt the Torpedo Exhibition, so Li Hung-chang had to content himself with the inspection of the gunboats inside the river, and in witnessing the performance of certain evolutions outside the bar; it appears that a fresh breeze delayed these manoeuvres at first, but this circumstance had a contrary effect in accelerating manoeuvres of a somewhat different nature amongst the officers of the Viceroy's suite.

The Viceroy is reported to be so pleased with his purchase, that the Greek alphabet is to be exhausted forthwith in furnishing names for additional gunboats.
The entire gunboat fleet, it is now said, will winter at Tientsin, the officers and crews of the four new boats are to be paid off on the 30th, with the exception of a select few, and on the 1st December, the English flag, under which they came from England, will be exchanged for that of the dragon throne. Mr. Robert Hart, the Inspector-General of Customs, proceeds to Tientsin to see this completed.

An accomplished German military officer has been appointed adjutant to the Viceroy. Mr. Tong King Sing, after a lengthened inspection of the mining district in which the works are being undertaken, is expected to return to Tientsin in a few days.—*Courier* Cor.

JAPAN.

YOKOHAMA.
(Gazette.)

No confirmations have been received from Shanghai of the alarming announcement made about three weeks since in the *North-China Daily News* about impending hostilities between China and Japan. To the best of our belief all danger, for the present, is over, and better counsels may have prevailed. Neither China nor Japan are able to go to war with each other. Neither has a fleet, nor transport service, nor military means to carry on any but purely defensive warlike operations. Japan cannot attack China, because the transport service required would be contemptible in quality, and it is a question whether the Japanese fleet in its totality is more than able to cope with the four Chinese squadrons. There is no reserve or surplusage for purposes of convoy, or for protecting landing places for troops.

China is just as feeble for offence as Japan is, and the Chinese land forces are without tactical organization, or commissariat, or medical, or scientific services. Further, belligerent rights will only be given by foreign powers to combatants able to carry on war according to rules; so that partial or irregular blockades, or privateering raids, would quickly bring about their own punishment.

The Chinese rulers are said to be quite aware of their militant deficiencies and may be disposed to pocket the affront of the *Lochow* if some reasonable mode of retreat is made. As foreign powers are greatly interested in the preservation of peace—the impudent insinuation of the *Japan Weekly Mail* of the 8th inst. notwithstanding—some advances might with advantage be made on either side, and, perhaps, in a short time the distrust and aversion which now exists may disappear, or soften into amicable relations between the two estranged empires.

The estimated cost to the Japanese Government of its share in the Melbourne exhibition to take place next year is set down at \$4,015 yen.

An Osaka native paper is responsible for the circulation of a rumour that a high government official has committed *harakiri* in consequence of having been convicted with the forgery of the three millions of yen saten, but whether the aforesaid official was a resident of Osaka or Tokio is not mentioned.

THE WAVERLEY HALL AT SHANGHAI.

The St. Andrews Society for the first time last year substituted a Ball for their annual dinner, and on this occasion they decided upon having a Fancy Dress Ball, with costumes selected from characters in the Waverley Novels. This affords room for a very varied selection of costumes, and resulted in a very picturesque and animated scene. The Ball was held at the Club, which was decorated very handsomely and thoroughly for the occasion. The well-known full-length portrait of St. Andrew, the Patron Saint of Scotland, painted by Chinnery, the Titian of the East, for Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., was placed in a conspicuous position, and the Saint looks as stern and wild as ever, and hardly older. The shields of 24 Scottish clans have been procured from home by the Society and were used in the adornment of the rooms, and flags and evergreens were plentifully added. The Band of the U. S. S. *Richmond*, and the Town Band

were both in attendance, and a Highland piper came from Hongkong for the occasion.

There were only 35 ladies present, but a much larger number of gentlemen. The costumes were remarkable for their brilliancy and correctness. Amongst the ladies were especially noticed the *Fair Maid of Perth*, Miss Roberts; *Amy Robarts*, Mrs. R. Mackenzie, and several Earls of Leicester; but *Arcturion* seemed to be rather the favourite. Mrs. Bidwell, as *Zarah*, in Peveril of the Peak, was dressed in a lovely Greek costume, in tunics of three different shades of cerise; Mrs. Drummond, as *Queen Elizabeth*, who looked the part well; Mrs. Percival, as *Helen Macgregor*; Mrs. Holwill, as *Luckie Atchiebach*, the fisherman's wife in the *Antiquary*; Miss Percival, as *Helen Douglas*, dressed in white with a tartan scarf. Amongst the gentlemen, Mr. Macgregor was the most effective character, as *Hereward*, the Anglo-Saxon, chief of the Varangian guard of the Emperor Constantine, of Constantinople; the dress consisted of a purple velvet tunic, with a silver breastplate, bare arms and gold bracelets, a leopard's skin hanging from the shoulders behind, armed with a battle-axe and hanger, the head-dress a brass helmet and plume, blonde moustache and curls falling to the shoulder; barelegged, with sandals. Mr. Sylva was very appropriately and handsomely dressed as *Varney*, in dark velvet doublet and trunk hose, slashed with white, cap with white feather. Mr. Allan, as *James Fitz James*, the Knight of Snowdon, the King of Scotland in disguise, in a green hunting dress, with velvet cap and feather, the fitting horse, a rapier and dagger. This character comes from the *Lady of the Lake*. Mr. Robert Mackenzie, as *Dandie Dimont*, was accompanied by an appropriate porter. Mr. Glass appeared as *Locksley*, and he was surrounded by several of his merry men. Mr. Bidwell was perfectly well disguised as *Fair Tuck*.—*Mercury*.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, December 6.
OPIUM.—New Patna, cash... \$565
" Old " cash... 530
" New Benares, cash... 515
" Old " cash... 490
" New Malwa, cash... 690
" Allowance Tels... —
" Old Malwa, credit, 740
" Allowance Tels... —

Exchange.

Bank, Wire... 3/9½
" D-mand... 3/9½
" 30 days' sight... 3/9½
" 4 months' sight... 3/10
Credits, 4 " ... 3/10½
Documentary, 4 months' sight, 5/10½
India, Wire... 22½
" demand... 22½
Shanghai, demand... 73½
" 80 days' sight... 74
Gold Leaf, 99½ fine ... 27.05
Sovereigns... 5.27

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 56 % prem. sellers.
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,360.
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,350.
North China Ins. Co., \$1,125.
Yangtze Ins. Assoc., \$1,780, buyers.
Chinese Insurance Co., \$310, sales.
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$815, buyers.
China Fire Ins. Co., \$220, sales.
H.K. & W. Dock Co., 13 % prem.
H.K. C. M. S. boat Co., \$19 prem.
Shanghai Steam Navigation, \$11.
China Coast St. Nav. Co., \$109.
Hongkong Gas Co., \$70.
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$66.
China Sugar Refining Co., \$158.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1874, nominal.
Do. of 1877, do.

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Fulconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, December 6.
BAROMETER—9 A.M. ... 30.300
Do. 1 P.M. ... 30.290
Do. 4 P.M. ... 30.250
THERMOMETER—9 A.M. ... 58
Do. 1 P.M. ... 61
Do. 4 P.M. ... 60
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. 53
Do. Do. 1 P.M. 55
Do. Do. 4 P.M. 55
Do. Maximum over night ... 61
Do. Minimum over night ... 54

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

Left.	Name.	From.
May.		
31.	Alexander,	Penarth
June.		
27.	Pym,	Antwerp
July.		
6.	Glenrosa,	Antwerp
19.	Comus,	Glasgow
24.	Primros,	Penarth
28.	John Nicholson,	Cardiff
Aug.		
9.	Eliz. Rickmers,	Penarth
12.	Papa,	Hambur
14.	Heperus,	Cardiff
16.	Minnie Carrill,	Cardiff
17.	Coldstream,	Antwerp
18.	Glandinowrig,	Antwerp
18.	Hannau,	Hambur
Sept.		
13.	Hecla,	Penarth
13.	Carmelita & Ida,	Oxshaven
17.	Livingstone,	Oxshaven
20.	Lucia,	London
Oct.		
3.	Parnas,	Cardiff
9.	Ganymede (s.),	Liverpool
11.	Peru	Antwerp
18.	Anchises (s.),	Liverpool
21.	Gordon Castle (s.),	London
25.	Pelastine,	London
26.	Barnhard Carl, (for Swatow)	Penarth
29.	Tevicer (s.),	Liverpool

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN YOKU.

At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.
Escombia, Gleniffer.
Flintshire, Breconshire.
Sailing Vessels:
Cores, Boyne.
Crossfield, Boyne.
Charlwood, Boyne.
At Liverpool.—
Manila (s.), Liverpool (s.)
Hesperia (s.), Liverpool (s.)
N.utilus, Liverpool (s.)
Niagara, Liverpool (s.)

NOTES.

MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE.

THE S. S. *NIIGATA MARU*, Captain WALKER, due here on or about the 8th Dec., will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 13th Dec., at Daylight.

Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to 6 p.m. of 12th Dec.

No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

To Kobe..... Cabin \$60. Steerage \$15.
" Yokohama & Do. \$75. Do. \$20.
NAGASAKI..... Do. \$75. Do. \$20.
A Reduction is made on RETURN CABIN PASSAGES.

CARGO AND PASSENGERS for Nagasaki will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamship at Kobe.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Offices, No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, November 29, 1879. del3

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, BRINDISI, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSSEILLE.

Also, PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON SATURDAY, the 13th December, 1879, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *AMAZON*, Commanded by LIEUT. WALKER, with MALES, PASSENGERS, CARGO, and GUNTS, will leave this port for the above place.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Steamships for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 12th December, 1879. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, December 1, 1879. del3

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND DOCKING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CITY OF PEKING* will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th December, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., the 23rd December. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, November 20, 1879. del24

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL

and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES.

ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. *GALLO* will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, January 14th, 1880, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers to Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central and South America, and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 13th January. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A Reduction is made on RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

H. M. BLANCHARD, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, December 4, 1879. del13

NOTICES.

NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY.

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FOR FIRE INSURANCE EXCLUSIVELY.

Head Office, Surrey Street, Norwich. London Office, 50, Fleet Street.

CAPITAL, £1,100,000.

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BIRLEY & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th November, 1879. del9

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GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the Wharf, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch. Also entire Godowns to be let.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, December 4, 1879. del4

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE.

IN accordance with the Articles of Agreement, the Directors have declared a DIVIDEND to POLICYHOLDERS for the FIFTEEN MONTHS ending 31st December 1878, of THIRTY-THREE PER CENT. on the NET PREMIUM CONTRIBUTED, payable at our Office on and after the 15th instant.

Policyholders are requested to send in particulars of their contributions.

By Order of the Directors, RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 5, 1879.

Volume Eighth of the "CHINA REVIEW."

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Comparative Chinese Family Law. Fac-similes and His English Translations. Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ang-ming. Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence. Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

Hongkong, November 28, 1879

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MR. J. F. SHUSTER begs to announce that he carries on from this Date the above Establishment, as a First-Class HOTEL. The House is now being thoroughly renovated and re-furnished. Mr. SHUSTER hopes by strict attention to Business, and by supplying the Best of Liquors, to merit a share of Public Patronage. The house has ample accommodation for Boarders, who will meet with every comfort. The Table will be of the Best and the Charges strictly Moderate. The Proprietor will be at all times ready to supply PICNIC PARTIES and to provide DINNERS for PARTIES of Six and upwards on very REASONABLE TERMS.

THE BOWLING ALLEYS ARE TO BE RE-LAID.

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WINE AND SPIRITS OF THE BEST QUALITY.

ORIENTAL HOTEL, J. F. SHUSTER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, November 5, 1879. del4

COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.

W. B. SPRATT & Co. have lately Fitted up an extensive MACHINE SHOP and other Appliances to the former Advantages of these Docks.

The DIMENSIONS of the Dock are—460 Feet, on the Blocks; 92 Feet Wide; Ordinary Tides, 21 Ft.; Spring Tides, 24 Ft.

Office, 20, PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, October 4, 1879. del30

SAILORS' HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 25, 1879.

Office of FIFTH.

NOTICE.

MR. HEINRICH EBELL retired from our firm on the 22nd August last, and his INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY therein CEASED from that date.

HERTON, EBELL & Co.

Hohow, November 15th, 1879.

OUR Business will in future be carried on under the firm or style of HER- TON & Co. Mr. LOUIS JUDELL is authorized to sign the firm's name.

HERTON, EBELL & Co.

Hohow, Pakhoi and Haiphong, November 15th, 1879. del5

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. C. BRAUN in our Firm, CEASED on the 23rd September a.c.

Mr. C. STEIBEL is authorized to sign our Firm.

REISS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, Shanghai, Yokohama, Hongkong, October 3, 1879. del3

NOTICES.

NOTICE.

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All GOODS entrusted for SALE will be fully covered by FIRE INSURANCE.

G. R. LAMBERT.

Hongkong, July 1, 1879.

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, September 23, 1879.

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Hongkong, Sept. 3, 1879. del30

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THE BASEMENT of HOUSE, No. 4, Praya East, MARINE LOT No. 65 (formerly known as the "Blue House") with possession on 1st January, proximo.

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Hongkong, December 1, 1879. del1

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Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

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GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE in GODOWNS in PEDDAR'S WHARF Buildings, at Moderate Terms.

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Hongkong, August 9, 1879.

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INSURANCES against FIRE granted at Current Rates. Considerable Reduction in Premium for LIFE Insurance in China.

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Hongkong, June 2, 1879. del30

SWISS LLOYD TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY OF WINTERTHUR.

INSURANCES granted on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World.

MEYER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 3, 1879. del30

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 206,370

TOTAL CAPITAL and ACCUMULATION, 25th April, 1879.....Tls. 856,370

Directors.

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POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the World.

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RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, October 1, 1879. del30

INSURANCES.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit, are distributed annually to Contributors whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH, Secretary.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRE, Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

INSURANCES.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

INSURANCES.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling of which is paid up £ 100,000 " Reserve Fund upwards of £ 120,000 " Annual Income £ 250,000 "

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 15, 1868.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOHERS & Co., Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

NORTH-BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1806.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

	Vessel's Name.	Anchor.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
	Steamers								
	Arratoon Apear.....	5 h	Mactavish	Brit. str.	1892	Dec. 5	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	
	Bombay.....	4 k	Miller	Brit. str.	740	Feb. 12	K'wok Acheong	Australian Ports	
	Bowen.....	5 c	Miller	Brit. str.	1500	Dec. 4	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Shanghai	10th, daylight
	Chinkiang.....	4 c	Miller	Brit. str.	799	Dec. 7	Siemens & Co.	Hohow & Haiphong	10th, daylight
	Conquest.....	5 h	Elphick	Brit. str.	318	Dec. 3	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Coast Ports	Tug Plying
	Douglas.....	5 h	Young	Brit. str.	861	Dec. 7	Douglas Lappaik & Co.		
	Fane.....	6 h	Stoupaui	Brit. str.	117		R. K. & W'poo Dock Co.		
	Fuyue.....	4 h	Croad	Chi. str.	920	Dec. 7	C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	
	Hae-shin.....	4 c	Gibbon	Chi. str.	764	Dec. 7	C. M. S. N. Co.	Hollow	Malls
	Malacca.....	5 c	Woodgate	Brit. str.	1709	Dec. 3	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	13th, daylight
	Moray.....	5 h	Butcher	Brit. str.	1427	Dec. 5	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	13th, daylight
	Nigata Maru.....	4 c	Walker	Japan. str.	1096	Dec. 8	Mitsui Bishi M. S. S. Co.	Yokohama via Kobe	13th, daylight
	Norua.....	5 c	Love	Brit. str.	406	May 31	K'wok Acheong	Si gapore	
	Pattardale.....	5 c	Pentley	Brit. str.	885	Nov. 26	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
	Sea Gull.....	8 k	Haydon	Amer. str.	286	Mar. 24	China Traders' Insurance Co.	Swatow	at daylight
	Yotung.....	2 h	McDougall	Brit. str.		Dec. 6	K'wok Acheong		
	Sailing Vessels								
	Alcio Reed.....	8 c	Killeran	Amer. bge.	873	Dec. 6	Melchers & Co.	Hamburg	
	Alida.....	4 c	Diut	Ger. bge.	850	Oct. 22	Vogel & Co.		
	Am Turner.....	2 k	Nowell	Amer. bge.	991	Dec. 8	Russell & Co.	Saigon	
	Anna Sieben.....	2 k	Paulsen	Ger. bge.	603	Nov. 21	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Hamburg	
	August.....	2 c	Riis	Ger. bge.	296	Nov. 11	Vogel & Co.		
	Auguste Reimers	2 c	Thomsen	Ger. sch.	207	Dec. 3	Melchers & Co.		
	Beldt Will	5 c	Farrall	Brit. bge.	786	Nov. 28	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Hamburg	
	Benita.....	4 k	Stehr	Ger. 3m. sc.	341	Oct. 29	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Bangkok	
	Brema.....	3 k	Timpe	Ger. bge.	396	Nov. 2	Wieler & Co.		
	Ceres.....	2 c	McWilliam	Brit. bge.	454	Dec. 8	Captain		For
	Chocola.....	1 k	Kennett	Brit. bge.	284	July 21	Adamson, Bell & Co.	London	
	Claro Babuyan	4 c	Polson	Brit. bge.	358	Nov. 29	Vogel & Co.	Manila	
	Claverhouse.....	8 c	Parsons	Brit. bge.	387	Nov. 27	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
	Courrier.....	4 c	Laporte	Fch. bge.	346	Nov. 29	Carlowitz & Co.	Bangkok	
	Cuba.....	7 c	Stabell	Brit. bge.	320	Nov. 15	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
	Echo.....	4 c	Tozer	Brit. bge.	369	Nov. 26	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London	
	Elizabeth Childs	3 c	Lindbergh	Brit. bge.	391	Nov. 9	Vogel & Co.	New York	
	Emerald Isle.....	4 c	Staples	Amer. sh.	1696	Oct. 20	Vogel & Co.		
	Empire.....	7 c	Luckie	Amer. sh.	1131	Dec. 5	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	New York	
	Endymion.....	2 c	Richardson	Brit. sh.	759	Dec. 8	Russell & Co.		For
	Ernest.....	4 c	Herve	Fch. bge.	390	Oct. 13	Landstein & Co.		
	Faugh Balough	3 c	Ritte	Ger. bge.	240	Nov. 9	Carlowitz & Co.	London	
	Flasburgh.....	4 c	Jacobson	Dan. bge.	365	Nov. 9	Vogel & Co.		
	Floral Star.....	4 k	Davison	Brit. 3m. sc.	244	Oct. 12	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Manila	Cost
	Friedrich.....	3 c	Dau	Ger. bge.	595	Nov. 28	Siemssen & Co.		
	F. Parthes.....	5 c	Petersen	Ger. 3m. sc.	294	Nov. 29	Siemssen & Co.		
	Goliah.....	2 c	Walter	Ger. bge.	442	Nov. 25	Wo Tye Hong		
	Gustav.....	8 c	Dontzau	Slam. bge.	546	Nov. 3	Order		
	Harmonie.....	5 k	Birsch	Ger. bge.	354	Dec. 26	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
	Hazel Holme.....	3 k	Schiphorst	Ger. sch.	241	Nov. 20	Vogel & Co.	Manila	
	Hieronimus.....	2 k	Millican	Brit. bge.	405	Nov. 24	Russell & Co.		
	Highlander.....	1 k	Kipland	Ger. bge.	425	June 19	Vogel & Co.		
	Hiram Emery.....	7 c	Hutchinson	Amer. sh.	1352	Nov. 17	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	New York	
	Iphigenia.....	2 c	Wyman	Amer. bge.	464	Nov. 11	Russell & Co.	London	
	Jessie McDonald	2 c	Green	Ger. bge.	275	Dec. 7	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Saigon	
	Joachim Christian	7 c	Stott	Brit. bktine.	457	Nov. 21	Siemssen & Co.		
	Kvik.....	4 c	Ricklefs	Ger. bge.	457	Nov. 8	Siemssen & Co.	Hamburg	
	Laurel.....	3 k	Larsen	Norw. bge.	638	Dec. 5	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Hamburg	
	Marco Polo.....	5 k	Johnson	Brit. bge.	358	Nov. 21	Carlowitz & Co.	London	
	Moses B. Tower	8 c	Breckwoldt	Ger. bge.	637	Nov. 80	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Hamburg	
	Palma.....	8 c	Hall	Am. bktine.	637	Nov. 12	Vogel & Co.		
	Pampero.....	8 c	Blinge	Ger. bge.	598	Nov. 17	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London	
	Pher Brahe.....	8 c	McKenzie	Brit. bge.	598	Nov. 30	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
	Primus.....	7 c	Joaksson	Russ. bge.	1166	Nov. 28	Order		
	Queen of India.....	4 c	Bergman	Russ. sh.	990	Oct. 31	Vogel & Co.	London	
	Rapid.....	2 h	Cary	Brit. bge.	420	Nov. 2	Chinese		
	Sam'l D. Carleton	2 h	Steinburg	Siam. bge.	884	Nov. 26	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
	Sophie.....	4 c	Freeman	Amer. bge.	209	Dec. 2	Wieler & Co.		
	Southern Cross	7 h	Bang	Ger. bg.	1129	Oct. 15	Captain		
	Spartan.....	8 k	Gibbs	Amer. sch.	81	Aug. 27	W. H. Ray		
	Sumatra.....	8 k	Vincent	Amer. sch.	1090	Sept. 5	Russell & Co.	London	
	Thoon Kramom	2 k	Olough	Amer. sh.	460	Nov. 26	Siemssen & Co.	Hamburg	
	Three Brothers.....	2 k	Vorrath	Siam. bge.	367	Nov. 14	E-Tye Hong	New York	
	Undine.....	2 k	Khaleke	Brit. bge.	968	Nov. 80	Melchers & Co.		
	Vesta.....	8 c	Kruze	Ger. bge.	417	Nov. 15	Siemssen & Co.		
	Winlow.....	3 k	Ruige	Dutch bge.	456	Nov. 28	Captain		
	Yorktown.....	4 k	Barker	Brit. bge.	1956	Nov. 27	Order		
			Murphy	Amer. sh.					
	WEAMPOA								
	Ebnazar.....		Milne	Brit. bktine.	317	Nov. 11	Melchers & Co.	London	
	Hongkong.....		Oom	Ger. 3m. sc.	219	Nov. 26	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Hamburg	
	Malvina.....		Kluge	Am. bktine.	450	Nov. 19	Vogel & Co.	New York	
	Oberon.....		Schmidt	Ger. bge.	379	Nov. 27	Russell & Co.		
	Peiho.....		Seekamp	Ger. bge.	433	Dec. 5	Siemssen & Co.		
	R. M. Hayward.....		Doane	Am. bktine.	605	Dec. 4	Russell & Co.	New York	
	CANTON								
	Nineon.....		Oass	Brit. str.	761	Dec. 8	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	